REQUEST FOR FILING A PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)

Attorney Docket: 056207.50948C1

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION   **April 14, 2004**
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

       This is a request for filing a __X__ continuation or ___ divisional application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No. 10/192,317
Filed on July 11, 2002
Of Soshiro KUZUNUKI et al
Entitled: SPEECH INPUT SYSTEM, SPEECH PORTAL SERVER, AND
SPEECH INPUT TERMINAL
Examiner: Abul K. Azad
Group: 2654

__X__   1.   Accompanying this order is a new specification that does not contain any subject matter that would have been new matter in the prior application.
Total pages of specification, claims and abstract: 1-38

__X__   2.   New Formal drawings are being filed herewith consisting of __Nineteen (19)__ sheets, depicting Figures 1-28.

__X__   3.   Declaration and Power of Attorney:

       a.   ___   Newly executed (original or copy)

       b.   __X__   Copy from prior application

            i.   ___   Deletion of Inventors - signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application

__X__   4.   Incorporation by Reference:

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

_ 5. Small entity status:

    a. _ A small entity statement is enclosed

    b. _ A statement of small entity status (copy attached) was filed on ___ in the prior application and status as a small entity is still proper and desired.

    c. _ Is no longer claimed

X 6. The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS AS FILED, INCLUDING ANY CLAIMS CANCELLED OR ADDED BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Basic Fee						$385		$770	
Total Claims	1	-	20 =	x	9 =	$	18 =	$	
Ind. Claims	1	-	3 =	x	43 =	$	86 =	$	
	Multiple Dependent Claims		+	145 =	$		290 =	$	
			Total		$		$770.00		

_ 7. Please charge my Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #__) in the amount of $__.

X 8. A check in the amount of **$770.00** to cover the filing fee is enclosed.

X 9. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 or 37 CFR 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #056207.50948C1).

X 10. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 10/192,317, filed July 11, 2002, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 10/083,636, filed February 27, 2002.--

X 11. Priority of Appln. No. 2001-306787, filed in Japan on October 2, 2001, is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.

X 12. A certified copy of said priority document was filed in application Serial No. 10/083,636 on February 27, 2002.

X 13. The prior application is assigned of record to Hitachi, Ltd.

X 14. The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

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   X   a.   The power appears in the original application papers in the prior application.

   ___   b.   Since the power does not appear in the original application papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

   __   c.   Attached is a duplicate of a Supplemental Declaration which was filed in the prior application to overcome informalities.

   X   d.   Address all future correspondence to:

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   X   15.   Copies of Forms PTO-892 and PTO-1449 listing prior art made of record in the prior application are attached. A copy of each of the listed references should be available in the prior application file.

   X   16.   Return Receipt Postcard.

   X   17.   Other: <u>Application Data Sheet</u>

Respectfully submitted,

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FEE TRANSMITTAL
for FY 2004

Effective 10/01/2003. Patent fees are subject to annual revision.

☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

Complete if Known	
Application Number	
Filing Date	**April 14, 2004**
First Named Inventor	**SOSHIRO KUZUNUKI**
Examiner Name	**Abul K. Azad**
Art Unit	**2654**
Attorney Docket No.	**056207.50948C1**

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT	($) 770.00

METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

☒ Check   ☐ Credit Card   ☐ Money Order   ☐ Other   ☐ None

☐ Deposit Account:

Deposit Account Number	05-1323
Deposit Account Name	Crowell & Moring LLP

The Director is authorized to: (*check all that apply*)
☐ Charge fee(s) indicated below   ☒ Charge any deficiency or credit any overpayments to the deposit account of the undersigned. Attorney Docket No. 056207.50948C1

☐ Charge any additional fee(s) during the pendency of this application.

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity Fee Code	Fee ($)	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee ($)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	770	2001	385	Utility filing fee	770
1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee	
1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) 770

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	1	-20** =	x =
Indep. Claims	1	-3** =	x =
Multiple Dependent		=	

Large Entity Fee Code	Fee ($)	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee ($)	Fee Description
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) $ 770.00

**or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see above.

FEE CALCULATION (continued)

3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee Code	Fee ($)	Small Entity Fee Code	Fee ($)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge – late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge – late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for *ex parte* reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examination action	
1805	1,840	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,480	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive – unavoidable	
1453	1,330	2453	665	Petition to revive – unintentional	
1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee	
1503	640	2503	320	Plant issue fee	
1406	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
1801	770	2801	385	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) _____

*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid

SUBTOTAL (3) ($)

SUBMITTED BY

			Complete (*if applicable*)		
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